

## LETTER WRITER'S JOB GONE

**PRESIDENT TELLS W. DUDLEY FOULKE "WHERE TO GET OFF."**

Mr. Taft smashes another Roosevelt Institution—Thinks He Can Get Along Without Letters That Will Enable Him to Say Things in His Replies to Them.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—President Taft has practically announced that he can get along without another of the Roosevelt institutions, the ready letter writer.

He has written a letter to William Dudley Foulke of Richmond, Ind., erstwhile a Civil Service Commissioner and member of the Roosevelt kitchen cabinet, telling Mr. Foulke in the political vernacular of Indiana "where to get off."

It appears that Mr. Foulke contracted the habit of writing occasionally to President Roosevelt on questions of national importance and of getting long replies which were promptly given to the press. There were many observers of Roosevelt "policies" who believed that Mr. Foulke was a convenience for President Roosevelt, and to such persons Mr. Foulke became known to fame as the "ready letter writer."

The habit seems to have clung to the Indiana reformer. In any event when President Taft returned from his Western trip he found in his bulky correspondence a letter from William Dudley Foulke administering to the President a lot of chastisement on account of Mr. Taft's Winona speech.

Mr. Foulke voiced his disappointment at the tone of the speech and mildly rebuked the President and conveyed with expressions of profound regret the feelings of disappointment which filled his breast and surged in the bosoms of other reformers because the President had seen fit to part company with the so-called insurgents.

Mr. Foulke took occasion to remind the President that he had been one of Mr. Taft's ante-convention supporters, and that, he declared, made his grief all the more poignant.

President Taft replied to Mr. Foulke's letter. The correspondence is not available at this time, but a few visiting statesmen at the White House have been permitted to read Mr. Foulke's letter and the President's reply.

They are chortling over it, and it is believed the President did not overlook the humor in the situation when he dispensed with the services of the "ready letter writer" with a few strokes of his pen. It is understood that Mr. Taft read Mr. Foulke a mild lecture on party ethics.

It is certain that Mr. Taft did not apologize for anything he had said or done, and those who have a fair idea of what the letter contained say that the Richmond eagle will find very little comfort for himself and his fellow insurgents.

RICHMOND, Ind., Nov. 22.—William Dudley Foulke has declined to make an extended statement with reference to his letter to President Taft in which he is alleged to have found fault with some of the policies of the Administration or with reference to the reply of the President.

That such correspondence was of a personal nature but that he would be glad if the President saw fit to give it publicity was the only comment of Mr. Foulke.

The despatch from Washington which appeared in the Cincinnati Times-Star does not put the correspondence in the proper light. Mr. Foulke said to friends. It is also said on good authority that Mr. Foulke resents the inference in the Times-Star story that he might make the correspondence public.

The letter which Mr. Foulke received from President Taft was marked "Personal," and for this reason Mr. Foulke expects to treat it as confidential.

The Richmond Item, the newspaper owned and edited by Mr. Foulke, this afternoon publishes the Times-Star despatch with no comment except to the effect that the correspondence is of a personal nature and cannot be given publicity by Mr. Foulke.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 22.—The Times-Star, owned by a brother of President Taft, prints the following despatch from Washington:

"The Hon. William Dudley Foulke of Indiana, one of our leading letter writers, recently took his trusty typewriter in hand and dictated a mournful epistle to the President of these United States."

"He told the President a few things. He told him that the people were making comparisons between the Taft and Roosevelt administrations. The letter was about 99.9 per cent. pure and the former—well, the former was not getting a good rating from the pure food experts."

"Out in Indiana," said Col. Foulke, "they were talking about Taft. They used to have some friends there, but the enthusiasm for him was concerned in Indiana."

"It grieved him to say all this, but as a friend of the President, said and disappointed himself, he deemed it his duty to tell him the truth, let the chips fall where they might."

"Take the Winona speech of the President, for instance. Why, honest, wasn't it simply awful?"

## WOMEN AND THE CHARTER.

Equal Pay for Women Teachers and More Power Over the Schools Asked for.

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt told the Legislative charter committee at the City Hall yesterday what the suffragists want put into the new charter. About two hundred women were present at first, but many of them went away as soon as it became evident that there would be no fireworks. Then the two men in the audience took courage and maneuvered for front seats.

Mrs. Catt proposed that the charter require that at least one-third of the members of the Board of Education and at least three members of the board of Bellevue and Allied Hospitals shall be women and that women teachers shall get the same pay as men for equal work.

Miss Katharine Blake, principal of Public School 6; Miss Priscilla Wagstaff, formerly a school principal in St. Louis, and Miss Mary Moore Orr, a member of the Twenty-seventh district school board in Brooklyn, spoke for the provision making the Board of Education one-third women.

Miss Blake said that the present school system ran to militarism because it is "man made." Women were needed to give something of a home spirit to the governing body.

## FUNERAL OF W. M. LAFFAN.

Many Friends and Associates Attend the Service at the House.

The funeral of William M. Laffan, a brief and simple service, was held yesterday morning at Laffan House, his home in Lawrence, L. I. Many who had been friends and associates of the late proprietor and publisher of THE SUN attended.

On the special train which left the Long Island Railroad station at 10:15 A. M. were representatives of the several organizations and clubs with which Mr. Laffan had been connected. Among the members of the staff of THE SUN and THE EVENING SUN were a number of men who had been in journalistic work with Mr. Laffan for more than twenty-five years.

The train carried, among others, J. Pierpont Morgan, Henry Walters, George B. Cortelyou, Joseph H. Choate, Thomas E. Ryan, Judge Willard Bartlett of the Court, appeals, Robert W. de Forest, James M. Beck, Major John Woodbury, Dr. John A. Wyeth, Henry S. Harper, George Harvey, Charles Lanier, President John H. Finley of the College of the City of New York, Jacques Seligmann, Emile Rey, acting Director Edward Robinson of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Curator Wilhelm R. Valentiner of the department of decorative arts, Assistant Secretary Henry W. Kent of the museum, B. Suydam Grant, Dr. James W. Markoe, Herman Riddler, John A. Schleicher, J. Alden Weir, James F. Sutton, Roland Knodler, Eugene Glensier, J. M. Dove, Thomas E. Kirby, Thomas F. Shaw and John Burke.

The funeral train arrived at Lawrence at 11:15 o'clock and the service began immediately after the party walked the short distance between the railroad station and Laffan House. It was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Thomas R. Slicer.

The coffin rested in the large, low drawing room. Upon it had been placed a single wreath of purple orchids and violets. Another wreath of orchids and violets lay against it at the foot. There were few flowers, a few wreaths only from men who had been intimate friends and from newspapers. Dr. Slicer read the service standing by the coffin.

No hymns were sung and there was no music. Dr. Slicer read a service of his own composition, taken from the Scriptures and the philosophy of many ages and many nations. He observed Mr. Laffan's own wish that he should not be made the subject of eulogy or of comment.

Dr. Slicer read a psalm of David's, the 136th, and passed to that part of the Epistle to the Galatians which treats of the fruit of the spirit. There followed passages from the Buddhist, the Brahmin and the Chinese scriptures, from Plato's "Immortality," and Seneca's statement of the value of a friend, in which occurs:

"What is past we are sure of. There is nothing that can make it not to have been."

After reading from Browning's poem "Paracelsus" Dr. Slicer ended his reading with a passage from the Egyptian Book of the Dead.

His prayer, which ended with a recital of the Lord's Prayer and the Benediction, completed the service.

The special train left Lawrence at noon and returned to New York at 12:45. The interment will be private.

## MASS PLAY IN PIE STRIKE.

Bakers and Salesmen Join Forces to Undercut the Dealers.

A joint campaign plan was decided upon yesterday by the Pie Bakers Union and the Pie Salesmen's Union which have been trying to carry along separately strikes against the Bakers' Employers' Association. While the strike is continuing at all the baker's shops, attack one master baker at a time by underselling him.

"As soon as one employing firm breaks away and settles with the strikers we shall tackle another," said President Wallenstein of the Pie Salesmen's Union yesterday.

"We hope that when one or two settle by this means there will be a general settlement."

This afternoon committees will be chosen to take to President Taft and Mayor-elect Gaynor the mammoth pie which the salesmen and bakers, respectively, are going to deliver on Thanksgiving Day. The salesmen's pie will be in a specially prepared case with a glass lid.

## McARREN'S VACANT SEAT.

Gov. Hughes May Not Comply With the Wish of Both Parties.

The Democratic organizations in the Thirtieth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Assembly districts in Brooklyn, comprising the Seventh Senate district, have each adopted resolutions requesting Gov. Hughes, as a favor of respect to the late Senator McCarren, not to call a special election for the choice of his successor, thus leaving his chair vacant for the year 1910. Copies of the resolutions have been forwarded to the Governor.

The Republicans, who are in a hopeless minority in each of the three Assembly districts, will probably take similar action. An appeal was made to Gov. Hughes yesterday indicating that Gov. Hughes was not favorable to the proposed disfranchisement of the district for a year and that a special election was likely to be called for December 21.

## KANSAS ATTACKS GOULD LINE.

Governor Will Ask a Receiver Unless Service is Improved.

TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 22.—Unless the Missouri Pacific improves the Central Branch at once action will be taken in the name of the state of Kansas to have a receiver appointed for that line. Gov. Stubbbs made the statement today after he had received a long telegram from George Gould.

He explained that the company had been working for years on a comprehensive financial plan and had just now completed it. The telegram from Gould said that the Central Branch would receive its proper share of the appropriations and would be put in good condition as quickly as possible. The governor said that he was not in favor of such improvement to be begun.

"What we want to know is what they are going to do and when," said the governor. "We do not care about the details of this financial scheme, but we want service and a safe track. For years the Missouri Pacific has been ignoring Kansas to build the Western Pacific and the Atlantic seaboard lines. Every cent has been put into these lines and nothing spent on the Kansas lines, where the revenue comes from. The officials have made promises and promises and did little or nothing. We propose to have something done to these tracks and right away."

Send Thanksgiving at Albany or Troy, \$2.50 Round Trip Via People's or Clinton Lines—Ad.

## MRS. STETSON HAS RESIGNED

LEAVES FIRST CHURCH AFTER BOSTON EXCOMMUNICATION.

Suggests That Her \$5,000 Salary Be Stopped and Urges the Church to Stick to Mother Eddy, as She Will Do Herself—Urges Greater Consecration.

Mrs. Augusta E. Stetson, excommunicated by the mother church of Christian Science in Boston, answered yesterday the question what her relation would be with the First Church in this city, which she dominated so long. She sent to the newspapers a copy of her letter of resignation from the church. Here it is: "The Board of Trustees, First Church of Christ, Scientist, New York City."

"DEAR BRETHREN: You concluded recently a comprehensive inquiry, and your report made my continued membership in this branch church seem suitable and proper. Since then I have been advised that my name has been dropped from the membership roll of the mother church. As this may place the members of your board in an embarrassing position I have decided to resign from membership in First Church of Christ, Scientist, New York City, and I now request that my name be dropped from the membership roll. I shall continue to make it my sole effort to obey Principle and to follow our beloved leader, Mary Baker Eddy."

"In taking this step I desire to thank the members of the board of trustees for all they have done during past years to serve God and our beloved leader through the upbuilding of this church. There is no robbery in divine Mind. Goodness is its own paymaster. Therefore you are already abundantly recompensed for past services, and can never lose the reward of well doing."

"I am informed that some objection was made during the recent inquiry, to the continued payment of the annual sum voted to me in recognition of my services to this church. Money is neither useful nor desirable to me unless it comes as a grateful recognition of services rendered to those from whom it comes. It was my purpose, therefore, at a suitable time to suggest the discontinuance of this payment. In view of the recent action by the directors of the mother church, it would seem undesirable that this payment be continued, even though all the members of this branch church were united, as in former years, in giving this proof of gratitude for what I have done for them and this church."

"For establishing this branch church more securely as a part of the mother vine, and for making it even more fruitful than in the past, greater consecration on the part of all the members is necessary. This greater consecration will be manifested in higher realization and demonstration of truth and love. In this work, the Bible, Science and Health, the Mother Church Manual and the other writings of our beloved leader, Mary Baker Eddy, are a sufficient guide to eternal life."

"I make this simple request that the trustees and also the members of this church will continue to listen for our beloved leader's voice, impersonally, through devout prayer and through proper study of her writings. Following her you cannot lose the way to Heaven, harmony, eternal oneness with God. I know that all the faithful members of this branch church will strive to apprehend and demonstrate the infinite capacities and possibilities of man governed by Goodwill, Principle, Faithfulness in truth and love, AUGUSTA E. STETSON, November 22."

PLEASE EXCUSE WINDOWS.

The Cleaners in Big Office Buildings Are Out on Strike.

The general strike of window cleaners in the big office buildings ordered last week by the Window Cleaners Union began yesterday. The strikers established headquarters at 17 Norfolk street. Joseph Weisman, the leader, said that 800 cleaners had gone on strike against seventy window cleaning firms. Later he announced that thirty-six employers had granted the demand.

The strikers demand \$11 a week and \$3 each day they are employed when they are not employed regularly. A general picket line took place yesterday between strike pickets and non-strike window cleaners and there were one or two arrests.

## RAINS AT PANAMA AGAIN.

Railway Stops and All Work on the Canal Is at a Standstill.

SPECIAL CABLE DESPATCH TO THE SUN. PANAMA, Nov. 22.—The heavy rains which did so much damage in the Canal Zone until they abated several days ago have begun again with renewed intensity. As a result traffic on the Isthmian Railway has been suspended again, and to-day no through trains passed over the line.

The indications to-night are for a continuation of the rain.

Work on the canal has been brought almost to a standstill, and it looks as if a complete paralysis of operations would take place.

## LEFT JEWELS AT ST. REGIS.

Reappearance of the Owner Will Ease the Mind of the Cashier.

Maggie Riley, who makes beads and dusts on the fourteenth floor of the St. Regis, found a bagful of jewels in suite 1419 in September last. The desk clerk to whom she took the gems knew that they belonged to Mrs. John O. Groves of Kansas City, who had occupied suite 1419 with her husband.

By this time the Groveses were on the Germania well out toward Fire Island. A wireless message from the hotel brought this response: "Forward to Mrs. Farwell, Vendome Hotel, Boston."

Before sealing the jewels and sending them to Boston the cashier took an inventory. There were six necklaces and chains of pearls and diamonds, a pearl and diamond sunburst, several rings and turquoise pendants and a signet ring. Estimates of the value ran from \$10,000 up. On September 24 the bag went to Boston. The Vendome sent a receipt. No further word was heard until a few days ago, when a letter was received from the manager of the Vendome saying that Mrs. Farwell had not appeared and inquiring what he should do with the package.

He was asked to return it to the St. Regis, where it rests in the safe pending the reappearance of Mrs. Groves, from whom no further word has come.

## ROOSEVELT FOR GOVERNOR?

That's What Odell Hears Barnes, Woodruff and Loch Plan.

Benjamin B. Odell, Jr., of Newburgh was at the Waldorf-Astoria last night as said:

"I hear of a movement to nominate Roosevelt for Governor next year. This information comes to me in such a way that I am not at liberty to dispute it."

"Who's in the game, Governor?"

"Barnes and Woodruff and Loeb and a number of others," replied Mr. Odell. It was suggested to Mr. Odell that Mr. Roosevelt on his return to this country in April next was expected to seek as second Mr. Dewey as United States Senator. Mr. Roosevelt has frequently stated that he wanted to go to the Senate from New York State.

"That may be all right," replied Mr. Odell, "but my information is to the contrary and that Roosevelt will be nominated by Governor."

"Can he get the nomination?"

"According to the present condition of affairs," replied Mr. Odell, "he can get the nomination by lifting his little finger."

## RESCUERS A LITTLE TOO LATE.

Thirty-eight Men Taken From Mine Dead Only a Few Hours.

CHERRY, Ill., Nov. 22.—The bodies of thirty-eight miners, lying face down, were discovered late to-day in the east end of the second level of the St. Paul mine.

The coroner said after examination that they had been dead less than forty-eight hours.

Fire was raging in the vicinity. They had evidently died from the poisonous gas after a desperate fight for life.

The rescuers in the third vein late this evening made desperate attempts to reach more than 100 miners believed to be alive in one of its furthest pockets. One of the miners discovered in the second level east and to-day was hurried to be still alive and his body was hurried to the hospital car, but the physician declared he had been dead several hours.

Until to-night no attempt had been made to enter the third vein. The discovery of the bodies in the second level caused the mining inspectors to hurry a party of rescuers into the lowest level. According to the mine officials, estimates there are more than 150 miners yet unaccounted for.

Henry Smith, the first of the rescuers who found the men, returned to the surface and told how some of them were found kneeling as if in prayer.

Further on in the same tunnel the rescuers could see where the men must have dug away a fall of earth with their bare hands. No tools were discovered near the fall, but the marks of fingers were there to show how desperate a fight against death the men had made.

## NO PAY FOR HER IN 6 YEARS.

Servant Girl Gets a Verdict for \$600 Against Her Employers.

Mary Kamaky, a Polish girl, was engaged as a servant by Dr. George E. Hayunga of 502 Canal street nearly six years ago. She succeeded in proving to the jury in Part IV. of the City Court yesterday that she never got a cent of pay. A verdict she got gives her \$600, the amount she sued for, less \$20, which her attorney allowed as having been paid for an insurance policy by her former employers.

The doctor's wife as a witness testified that they had paid 25 cents a week on Mary's insurance, but the policy showed that only 10 cents a week was paid.

Mary's side of the story, obtained from her attorney, was that she arrived in this city in the early part of 1903. In July she was employed, through Dr. Joseph's Home for Polish Girls, by Dr. Hayunga. She says she was supposed to get \$10 a month, but never got a cent. On November 30, 1905, Mrs. Hayunga got her an insurance policy, paying 10 cents a week.

She said the doctor gave her a book which he said was a bank book, in which were items purported to be her monthly wages. A few months before leaving the Hayungas Mary says she showed this book to a friend, who told her that it was only a grocery book and not a bank book.

During the case Judge McAvoy fined Mayer Kronacher, the defendant's attorney, \$25 for contempt of court. The lawyer had persistently objected to a question put by the plaintiff. In the afternoon session Kronacher fainted and another attorney proceeded with the case.

The jury took five minutes to reach a verdict. Dr. Hayunga said the case will be appealed.

## PRESIDENT TO EAT TURKEY.

He Sends the White Possum From Missouri to the Zoological Park.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—President Taft is not going to desert the Thanksgiving dish of Presidents, since Grant at least, by turning from turkey to possum, and in consequence the big ten pound white haired possum which came from Dr. E. O. Greer of St. Louis to the White House has been sent to the National Zoological Park in Washington, where it is enjoying life once more. Its black tipped ears wag in satisfaction and its bright little eyes are full of the joy of living.

The white possum caught in the Ozark Mountains and said to be one of the few specimens of the animal of that color reached the White House Saturday while the President, Mrs. Taft and Capt. Archibald Butt, the arbiter of the Presidential table, were at Norfolk brooding a family with the appetizing oyster. No one around the White House knew just what to do with the possum. The usual turkey from Horace Vose of Westbury, R. I., was coming, and the White House regulations, since Quentin Roosevelt's departure, do not provide for the keeping of animals.

A consultation of all the advisers in town may have been or may not have been held, but finally Secretary Catherin decided the question by ordering the possum sent to the zoo. The zoo authorities were glad to get it. They hadn't any white possums out there, and besides they can now boast that the Smithsonian Institution is not the only place in the country where one can view Presidential game.

Cardinal Gibbons urges all Catholics to use the Manual of Prayers, John Murphy Co., Publishers, N. Y. For sale book and Dept. stores.—Ad.

## MORE PRICES THE CITY PAYS

TWO DOLLARS A DOZEN FOR FIVE CENT TIN DIPPER.

Barley and Chaff, Mixed to Weight, Fed to the City's Horses at 90 Cents—The Same Oil at 32 Cents and 60 Cents—Some Bills 200 Per Cent. Over Last Prices.

William Hoge, chief inspector of the central supply committee of the Department of Finance, has been in Washington filling up on facts with regard to the standardization of supplies purchased for municipal use. He has turned these, together with some figures gathered by his assistants concerning prices paid by New York for its supplies, over to Comptroller Metz, who will spring them on the committee on the standardization of city supplies, which is to meet with the Finance Department this week.

Some of the sample bills secured by the inspectors show that the purchasing agents in city departments have submitted vouchers charging as much as 200 per cent. over the last price of goods.

The inspectors under Mr. Hoge found that the fancy glass globes used in the court rooms for which the city pays \$5.75 can be purchased at \$1.25 retail.

Lubricating oils sold to the Fire Department at 32 cents a gallon and to the Water Supply Department and Board of Education at 60 cents a gallon have been found by chemical analyses to be the same oil at a different price. Tin dipper for which the city pays \$2 a dozen can be bought, so say the inspectors, at five cents apiece in any retail store.

Mr. Hoge says that he has found that the city's horses prefer to eat their bedding rather than the fodder which the city provides. The contracts for fodder call for oats weighing thirty-two pounds to the bushel. The inspectors have found that in some cases as high as 90 per cent. of barley has been found in the oats and that the rest was chaff, the two parts being so graduated as to make up the proper weight. The horses didn't take to the mixture.

Since the central supply committee was organized a few months ago it has held up 1,000 bills and has made an estimated saving of \$250,000. It is reported that the committee has been billing goods to the city at exorbitant rates and only too willing to accept fair prices since the matter has been put up to them.

The first question which will be considered next week at the meeting of the committee will be that of the city's cost of \$500,000 a year. It is said that the city has been paying for much of its coal at \$1 in excess of the market price.

## GEN. CLARKSON TO RESIGN.

No Connection Between His Retirement and the Customs Frauds.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—It was made known in an authoritative quarter that Gen. James S. Clarkson, Surveyor of the Port of New York, would retire from that office on January 1 next. The explanation was given that this arrangement was a matter of long standing and not to be construed as reflecting on Gen. Clarkson in any way. Emphasis was laid on the fact that it had been understood by the Administration for eight months that Gen. Clarkson would retire and there was not the remotest connection between his contemplated resignation of his commission and the customs frauds, which had not been discovered except as to the underweighing of sugar until after the Administration knew that Gen. Clarkson would give up the Surveyorship.

Almost from the moment that Mr. Taft became President an effort to have Gen. Clarkson ousted was made by New York Republican politicians. Almost the first thing that Secretary of the Treasury, MacVeagh encountered when he took office in President Taft's Cabinet was an appeal from former Lieutenant-Governor Timothy L. Woodruff, chairman of the New York Republican State committee, that somebody acceptable to the New York Republican organization should be put in Gen. Clarkson's place.

President Taft and Secretary MacVeagh declined to yield to such importunities. They knew of nothing to Gen. Clarkson's detriment. Although Gen. Clarkson had served seven years as Surveyor of the Port, he continued him in office with the understanding that he might take his time about resigning.

The information obtained to-day was that while Gen. Clarkson had not tendered his resignation it was understood that he would do so soon and that his successor would be appointed about the beginning of the new year. Nobody has been given serious consideration for appointment to the prospective vacancy.

Gen. Clarkson said last night: "I have had two terms of the office, and two terms are enough for me. I do not desire another term, as is generally known and was also known to President Taft and Secretary MacVeagh, and for over a year I have been arranging to go over a business, a fact which has been publicly announced several times in the last few months."

Gen. Clarkson's term would have expired in April next. The place of Commissioner of Pensions or one similarly important in Washington has been offered to him, but he prefers to remain in New York city.

The Republican State organization, headed by Mr. Woodruff, is now expected to work with Herbert Parsons, president of the New York Republican county committee; William Barnes, Jr., of Albany and most of the up-State leaders to bring about the appointment of George W. Aldridge of Rochester to be Surveyor.

## LOWER WARSHIP ANCHORAGE.

The Fleet Here for Christmas Will Lie Further Down the River.

The anchorage ground for war vessels in the Hudson River, the southern limit of which is on a line with West Seventy-ninth street, will be changed temporarily on the arrival of the Atlantic fleet here in December. The southern limit will then be Sixty-fifth street. The object of the change is to get the ships nearer good landing places and the heart of the city. Collector Loeb, pursuant to a notification from the Department of Commerce and Labor, has notified vessel owners who use the Hudson of the shift of anchorage, which will continue during the Christmas holidays.

## AMERICANS IN ZELAYA'S JAILS.

Business Men in Nicaragua Missing—Dictator's Incendiary Manifesto.

SPECIAL CABLE DESPATCH TO THE SUN. COLON, Nov. 22.—A wireless message from Port Limon, Costa Rica, says the United States cruiser De Moines has gone to Greytown, Nicaragua.

Passengers arriving from Nicaraguan ports report that a number of Americans who were engaged in business in Nicaragua are missing and it is believed they are languishing in Nicaraguan jails.

President Zelaya has plastered all of that portion of Nicaragua controlled by him with flaming posters denouncing Americans in the most bitter and violent language. The Americans are accused of fomenting the present revolutionary movement for the purpose of annexing Nicaragua to the United States.

The proclamation calls upon loyal Nicaraguans to rally around the Nicaraguan flag and urges them to help Zelaya to thwart "The Gringo Conspiracy."

## BARBARA RUTHERFORD ILL.

Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt's Younger Daughter Operated on for Appendicitis.

Miss Barbara Rutherford, the younger daughter of Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, was operated on for appendicitis last Tuesday at the W. K. Vanderbilt home, 120 Fifth avenue.

The operation, which was performed by Dr. Joseph A. Blake, assisted by Dr. Dixon, was successful, and last night at the house it was said that the patient was getting along well.

Miss Rutherford's illness began near the close of a weekend house party at the Vanderbilt home, Idle Hour, near Oakdale, L. I., last week. She was brought to the city and Dr. Dixon decided that an operation was necessary.

## ALPS DRAW HERTZIAN WAVES.

All the Messages for 2,000 Miles Around Fleet to Switzerland.

SPECIAL CABLE DESPATCH TO THE SUN. GENÈVE, Nov. 22.—Particulars have just been printed here showing the extraordinary attraction of the Alps for Hertzian wave currents. Experiments conducted by military aerographers have proved absolutely that Switzerland is able to intercept any wireless message within a radius of 2,000 miles owing to the influence of the mountains. It will thus be seen that no aerograms sent from any part of Europe can be kept secret from the Swiss.

During the tests, which were made from mobile military stations, the operators amused themselves by decipher